

MINUTES-MORRO BAY HARBOR ADVISORY
BOARD MEETING – September 7, 2023
VETERAN'S MEMORIAL HALL – 5:30 P.M.

AGENDA NO: A-2

MEETING DATE: December 7, 2023

PRESENT:	Cal Myers	Chair
	Sean Green	Member
	Mary Witkowski	Member
	Gene Doughty	Member
	Christopher Vaile	Member
	Lori French	Member
ABSENT:	Cherise Hansson	Vice-Chair
STAFF:	Ted Schiafone	Harbor Director
	Lori Stilts	Harbor Business Coordinator

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

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The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m., with a quorum present.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member French arrived at the dais at 5:34pm.

CHAIR, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER & LIAISON ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PUBLIC OUTREACH REPORTING

PRESENTATIONS

Morro Bay Yacht Club presentation, Dana McClish

PUBLIC COMMENT

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The public comment period was opened.

John Hovdahl, Rear Commodore of the Morro Bay Yacht Club, has a boat in the City's mast-up dry storage and expressed his excitement working as a docent recently on the San Salvador.

Sherry Hafer, Secretary of the Central Coast Women for Fisheries, spoke on behalf of the commercial fisherman requesting the City of Morro Bay to adopt a resolution in support of the offshore wind developers to become members of the Morro Bay Lease Areas Mutual Benefits Corporation.

Tom Hafer, President of the Morro Bay Commercial Fishermen's Organization, supports Sherry's comments.

The public comment period was closed.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

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Unless an item is pulled for separate action by the Board, the following actions are approved without discussion.

A-1 Approval of Minutes from the Harbor Advisory Board meeting held on April 6, 2023.
RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-2 Approval of Minutes from the Harbor Advisory Board meeting held on June 1, 2023.
RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted

A-3 Harbor Department Status Report.
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file report.

MOTION: Board Member Doughty moved to approve the consent agenda. The Motion was seconded by Board Member Green and carried, 6-0-1 with Vice-Chair Hansson absent.

B. BUSINESS ITEMS

B-1 HARBOR DIRECTOR – DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES

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Director Schiafone gave an oral report on recent Harbor affairs including windfarm activity, joint planning meeting, funding for commercial slip repairs, new harbor patrol vehicle, FEMA and responded to Board Member inquiries.

Member Witkowski requested staff to bring back a timeline of implementation to the next meeting for the skiff permit program.

The public comment period was opened and closed with no comments.

B-2 UPDATE FROM THE COMMERCIAL VESSEL FEES AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE'S RECENT ACTIVITIES

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Committee Member Witkowski briefed the Board on the status of the Ad-hoc committee work so far and stated they would have recommendations by the next meeting.

The public comment period was opened and closed with no comments.

B-3 UPDATE FROM THE HARBOR LIABILITY AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE'S RECENT ACTIVITIES

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Committee Member Myers presented an update on the committee's outreach to other harbors, City Risk Management, and their information gathering to date.

There was Board questions and discussion.

Director Schiafone spoke to the different types of vessel insurance available and reason to carry a liability policy.

The public comment period was opened and closed with no comments.

C. DECLARATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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Chair Myers requested a list of declared future agenda items brought back to the next meeting for review.

The Board agreed.

D. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Lori Stilts
Harbor Department